

An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1144

By: McCall of the House

and

Treat of the Senate

An Act relating to state government; authorizing the commission of certain peace officers; providing for powers and duties; declaring jurisdiction of officers; providing for suspension or revocation of commission; declaring officers are not employees of the Department of Public Safety; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

SUBJECT: State Government

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 465 of Title 74, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Commissioner of Public Safety may commission as peace officers one member of the security team of the Oklahoma State Senate and one member of the security team of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, provided such commissioned officers must obtain and maintain certification as full-time peace officers pursuant to Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

B. Any such commissioned officers are hereby declared to be peace officers of the State of Oklahoma and shall be so deemed and taken in all courts having jurisdiction of offenses against the laws of the state. Such commissioned officers shall have the powers and authority now and hereafter vested by law in other peace officers, including the power of arrest, enforcement of the criminal laws of

this state, search and seizure, and the authority for serving or execution of civil process.

C. The jurisdiction of such commissioned officers shall include all powers of arrest granted to the sergeant at arms as set forth in Section 773 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, but the jurisdiction of such commissioned officers shall otherwise be limited to the Capitol building, grounds, and parking lots described in Sections 15.1 and 15.3 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

D. Any commission issued by the Commissioner pursuant to this section shall be subject to all requirements set forth by the Commissioner, and the Commissioner may limit the power and scope of the commission. Further, the Commissioner may suspend or revoke the commission for any reason, and the commission shall be deemed terminated upon the commissioned officer's separation of service or reassignment to another position outside the security team of their respective bodies.

E. Such commissioned officers shall not be deemed to be officers, agents, or employees of the Department of Public Safety, and no action or omission by such commissioned officers shall be deemed to be an action or omission of the Department of Public Safety.


SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the House of Representatives the 20th day of March, 2023.



Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 17th day of April, 2023.



Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 18th

day of April, 20 23, at 11:44 o'clock A. M.

By: James Curry

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 19th

day of April, 20 23, at 3:13 o'clock P. M.



Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 19th

day of April, 20 23, at 5:05 o'clock P. M.

By: Brian Benjamin